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Sir:

Enclosed is a copy of a European Search Report received in the related European patent application, listing seven (7) references. The references listed on the search report that were not previously cited during the prosecution of this application are:

U.S. patents 5,475,856, 5,581,767, 5,943,242 and 6,150,839; and WO 98/33182 A1. A copy of the foreign patent document is enclosed.

The references have been reviewed by the applicants, the assignee, and their attorneys, and it has been found that none of the references affect the validity of the patented claims. Thus, it is respectfully requested that the search report and references simply be placed into the file of this application.

No fee is believed to be due for this response. Should any fees be required, however, please charge such fees to Winston & Strawn LLP Deposit Account No. 50-1814.

Respectfully submitted,

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